## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended) A method of printing from a computing device, said method comprising:

sending receiving a print task to at a local print system component in a first network;

acquiring, with said local print system component, printer data for a plurality of second-network printers located in a second network wherein said plurality of second-network printers are not directly accessible to said local print system component, wherein said plurality of second-network printers are not detectable to computing devices in said first network and wherein said plurality of second-network printers being are in communication with a second-network print system component located in said second network;

sending said print task from said local print system component to said second-network print system component in said second network; and

sending said print task, from said second-network print system component in said second network, to at least one of said plurality of <a href="second-network">second-network</a> printers in communication with said second-network print system component for printing.

- 2. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said local print system component is a spooler.
- 3. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said local print system component is a print processor.

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- 4. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein said second-network print system component is a spooler.
- 5. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein said second-network print system component is a print processor.
- 6. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising reconfiguring said print task according to said printer data related to said print task.
- 7. (original) The method of claim 6 wherein said reconfiguring is performed via said local print system component.
- 8. (previously presented) The method of claim 6 wherein said reconfiguring is performed via said second-network print system component.
- 9. (previously presented) The method of claim 6 wherein said reconfiguring enables said print task to be printed on at least one second-network device.
- 10. previously presented) The method of claim 6 wherein said reconfiguring comprises reconfiguring said print task for cluster printing on said plurality of second-network printers.
- 11. (currently amended) A method of remote printing, said method comprising:

sending a print task to a local print system component on a first network; determining characteristics of said print task;

determining the availability of a plurality of second-network printing devices located on a second network, wherein said second-network printing devices are not directly accessible to said local print system component and said second-network

printing devices are not detectable by computing devices in said first network, said determining being performed via a second-network print system component in said second network, wherein said second-network print system component is in communication with said local print system component;

determining the capabilities of said plurality of second-network printing devices with said second-network print system component;

sending said print task to said second-network print system component; and

sending said print task from said second-network print system component to at least one of said plurality of second-network printing devices for printing.

- 12. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 further comprising selecting, via said local print system component, said at least one of said plurality of second-network printing devices.
- 13. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 further comprising reconfiguring said print task.
- 14. (original) The method of claim 11 wherein said determining characteristics is accomplished via said local print system component.
- 15. (previously presented) The method of claim 13 wherein said determining characteristics is accomplished via said second-network print system component.
- 16. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 wherein said reconfiguring comprises job splitting among said plurality of second-network devices.

- 17. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 wherein said reconfiguring comprises copy splitting among said plurality of second-network devices.
- 18. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 wherein said reconfiguring comprises division of said print task into multiple print tasks for printing on a cluster of said second-network printing devices.
- 19. (original) The method of claim 11 wherein said reconfiguring comprises changing the destination of a print task.
- 20. (currently amended) A method of remote printing, said method comprising:

sending a print task to a local print system component on a first network; determining a device requirement of said print task;

sending said device requirement to a second-network print system component on a second network that does not share devices with said first network, wherein printing devices on said second network are not detectable by computing devices on said first network;

checking, with said second-network print system component, the availability of a plurality of second-network printing devices on said second network, wherein said plurality of second-network printing devices is not directly accessible to said local print system component, but is in communication with said second-network print system component;

determining, with said second-network print system component, the capability of said plurality of second-network printing devices to meet said device requirement;

automatically selecting at least one of said plurality of second-network printing devices; and

sending said print task to said selected at least one second-network printing device.

- 21. (previously presented) The method of claim 20 further comprising reconfiguring said print task for said at least one second-network printing device.
- 22. (currently amended) A system for remote printing, said system comprising:

a local print task receiver for receiving a print task from a local computing device on a first network;

a print task analyzer for determining a print task requirement;

a second-network printer data acquirer for acquiring printer data for a plurality of second-network printers on a second network that does not share printers with devices on said first network, wherein printing devices on said second network are not detectable by computing devices on said first network;

a print task distributor for distributing said print task to a second-network print system component on said second network; and

a printer selector for comparing printer data with said print task requirement and for selecting at least one of said plurality of second-network printers based on said comparing.

23. (currently amended) A computer readable medium comprising instructions for performing functions within a print system component, said instructions comprising the acts of:

receiving a print task from a device on a first network;

determining print task characteristics;

sending print task characteristic data to a second-network print system component on a second network that does not share devices with said first network, wherein printing devices on said second network are not detectable by computing devices on said first network;

receiving printer data from said second-network print system component, said printer data identifying second-network printers on said second network that are capable of printing said print task;

selecting at least one of said second-network printers capable of printing said print task;

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sending said print task to said second-network print system component;

and

sending said print task from said second-network print system component to said at least one of said second-network printers selected in said selecting.

- 24. (canceled)
- 25. (canceled)

26. (currently amended) A method of printing from a first-network computing device to a non-shared second-network printer, said method comprising:

sending a print task to a local, first-network print system component in a first network;

acquiring printer data for at least one second-network printer on a second network that does not share devices with said first network, wherein printing devices on said second network are not detectable by computing devices on said first network;

sending said print task from said local, first-network print system component to a second-network print system component on said second network; and

sending said print task from said second-network print system component to said at least one second-network printer for printing.

27. (currently amended) A system for remote printing, said system comprising:

a local, first-network print system component comprising:

a first network;

a second network that is isolated from said first network whereby printing devices on said second network are not detectable by or directly shared with computing devices on said first network;

a receiver for receiving a print task from a local, first-network computing device on a said first network,

a data acquirer for acquiring printer data for a second-network printer on a <u>said</u> second network that does not share devices with said first network,

a communication link for communicating with a second-network print system component on said second network that can utilize said second-network printer; and

a sender for sending said print task to said second-network print system component for printing on said second-network printer.